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Georgia Southern MBA to host open house events in Savannah

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Working professionals in the Savannah area who are looking to advance their education and careers by obtaining a Master of Business Administration (MBA) can learn more about the Georgia Southern University Parker College MBA through several upcoming open house events on the Armstrong Campus.

The AACSB-accredited program has been offering classes in Savannah for more than 35 years, now offering in-seat classes at the Armstrong Center on Abercorn Street in Savannah. The MBA program is also available online, but due to demand, the MBA program will accept its final intake of students on the Statesboro Campus in fall 2019.

By offering its MBA program in Savannah, the Parker College of Business is responding to its market. Program growth over the last few years has been from the Savannah area, and officials believe the program is now positioned to take advantage of regional growth opportunities. The Parker MBA Savannah program provides a curriculum specifically designed for working professionals taught by faculty who provide rigorous coursework with opportunities to learn from other business professionals. Students take classes as a cohort and can complete the program in about 15 months.

The Georgia Southern Parker MBA Savannah program will host several open house events over the summer at the Armstrong Center, suite 217.

- Tuesday, April 30, 3 to 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 22, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Thursday, June 27, 3 to 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 16, 3 to 7 p.m.

The Armstrong Center complements the program by immersing students in a business-style setting. The Center has a state-of-the-art, 300-seat auditorium, several executive-style boardrooms and a video conference center. The first-floor classrooms are equipped with the latest audiovisual presentation systems, wireless internet service and executive-style seating. Meeting rooms, a banquet room and a large ballroom also make the space ideal for workshops, trade shows, exhibitions and other events.

For more information, visit Georgiasouthern.edu/businessgraduate, email mba@georgiasouthern.edu or call 912-478-5767.

Georgia Southern to host Inaugural Darwin-Lyell Distinguished Lecture Series

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Georgia Southern University's Department of Biology and Department of Geology and Geography will host the Inaugural Darwin-Lyell Distinguished Lecture Series on the Statesboro Campus on May 1 and 2.

Internationally recognized scientists and authors, Tim Berra, Ph.D., and Alistair Sponsel, Ph.D., will give seminars on consecutive evenings beginning at 7 p.m. in the Nessmith-Lane Building, room 1915.



Tim Berra, Ph.D., Academy Professor and Professor Emeritus of evolution, ecology and organismal biology at Ohio State University – Mansfield.

Berra joined The Ohio State faculty in 1972 and is now an Academy Professor and Professor Emeritus of evolution, ecology and organismal biology at Ohio State University – Mansfield. He is a three-time recipient of Fulbright Fellowships to Australia and has spent more than 11 years doing fieldwork there. Berra is also the author of more than 85 scientific papers and eight books. Three of his books focus on the concept of evolution, Charles Darwin and the Darwin family. He is nationally and internationally recognized for his lectures on the life of Charles Darwin.



Alistar Sponsel, Ph.D., historian of science with special interests in geographical exploration, the environment, life sciences and the physical earth sciences.

Sponsel is a historian of science with special interests in geographical exploration, the environment, life sciences and the physical earth sciences. He completed his Master of Science at Imperial College in London and his Master of Arts and Ph.D (2009) in history of science from Princeton. He was a postdoctoral fellow at the Smithsonian Institute where he worked on the Darwin Correspondence Project and taught at both Harvard and Vanderbilt universities. Sponsel's research has taken him to several continents and his essays and reviews have appeared in many academic journals and books. Sponsel has recently completed his first book, *Darwin's Evolving Identity: Adventure, Ambition, and the Sin of Speculation*.

This event was made possible by a generous donation from Bill and Martha Lovejoy. Bill Lovejoy, Ph.D., is an professor emeritus of biology who taught at Georgia Southern from 1968-1987. Lovejoy says, "It is my hope that this seminar series will motivate students for years to come and will serve as an inspiration to faculty and drawing interest to the general public."

There will be a book signing on May 1 after the lecture and a public reception on May 2 following the lecture. The lectures are free and open to the public.

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/R2 institution founded in 1906, offers 141 degree programs serving nearly 26,500 students through nine colleges on three campuses in Statesboro, Savannah, Hinesville and online instruction. A leader in higher education in southeast Georgia, the University provides a diverse student population with expert faculty, world-class scholarship and hands-on learning opportunities. Georgia Southern creates lifelong learners who serve as responsible scholars, leaders and stewards in their communities. Visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu.

Georgia Southern's Sport Management program ranked No. 5 for best value

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Georgia Southern University's online master's degree in sport management was recently ranked No. 5 on the list of 35 Best Online Master's in Sports Management by the organization Best Value Schools. Best Value Schools ranked hundreds of schools based on degree investment return, student and alumni evaluation, cost value, matriculation, and academic success.

The 36-credit, online program, housed in the Waters College of Health Professions, was designed to provide academic preparation and practical experience in the skills and techniques necessary to be successful in the sport business and leisure field. Students are able to complete the program in 24 months or as their schedule permits.

Best Value Schools is committed to linking students with institutions that are both affordable and an investment of continued value for the students.